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A Diſpatch, of which the following is a Copy, was received this Afternoon from His Royal Highneſs the Duke of York by the Right Honorable Henry Dundas, His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

SIR, *Tournay, May 23, 1794.*

I Have the Satisfaction to acquaint you, for His Majeſty's Information, that Yeſterday Morning the Enemy, having made an Attack upon the Combined Army under the Command of His Imperial Majeſty, were repulſed, after a long and obſtinate Engagement.

The Attack began at Five o'Clock, but did not appear to be ſerious till towards Nine, when the Whole Force of the Enemy (conſiſting, according to every Account, of upwards of One Hundred Thouſand Men) was brought againſt the Right Wing, with the Intention of forcing, if poſſible, the Paſſage of the Scheldt, in order to inveſt Tournay.

At firſt they drove in the Out-Poſts, and obliged General Buſche's Corps, which was poſted at Eſpierres, to fall back upon the Main Army; but upon Succour being ſent, General Wallmoden, who, though very unwell, had retaken the Command of the Hanoverians, maintained his Poſition. The Enemy, by conſtantly bringing up freſh Troops, were enabled to continue the Attack, without Intermiſſion, till Nine o'Clock at Night.

The Troops of the Right Wing being greatly fatigued, it became neceſſary to ſupport them from my Wing; for which Purpoſe, beſides Seven Auſtrian Battalions, I detached the Second Brigade of Britiſh, under the Command of Major-General Fox. Nothing could exceed the Spirit and Gallantry with which they conducted themſelves, particularly in the Storm of the Village of Pontéchin, which they forced with the Bayonet. The Enemy immediately began to retreat, and during the Night withdrew all their Poſts, and, according to every Information, have fallen back upon Liſle.

Seven Pieces of Cannon and about 500 Priſoners have fallen into our Hands, and the Enemy's Loſs, in Killed and Wounded, is ſaid to amount to little ſhort of Twelve Thouſand Men, which is by no Means improbable, as they were expoſed to an inceſſant Fire of Cannon and Muſquetry for upwards of Twelve Hours.

The Manner in which General Fox conducted the Brigade of Britiſh Infantry of the Line merits my warmeſt Approbation.

Incloſed I ſend the Returns of the Killed and Wounded of the Britiſh.

I am, &c. FREDERICK.

Return of Killed, Wounded and Miſſing on the 22d of May, 1794.

7th Light Dragoons. 1 Horſe wounded.

Artillery. 1 Serjeant killed; 2 Rank and File wounded.

14th Foot. 1 Officer wounded; 1 Serjeant killed; 1 ditto wounded; 4 Rank and File killed, 28 ditto wounded, 5 ditto miſſing.

37th Foot. 3 Officers and 5 Serjeants wounded; 1 Rank and File killed, 24 ditto wounded, 2 ditto miſſing.

53d Foot. 3 Officers and 1 Serjeant wounded; 6 Rank and File killed, 23 ditto wounded, 12 ditto miſſing.

Total. 7 Officers wounded; 2 Serjeants killed, 7 ditto wounded; 11 Rank and File killed, 77 ditto wounded, 19 ditto miſſing.—1 Horſe wounded.

Officers wounded.

14th Regiment. Major of Brigade Cockran.

37th Regiment. Captain Spread, Lieutenants Mitchell and M'Lean.

53d Foot. Lieutenants Rogers and Robertſon, and Enſign Pearce.

C. Craufurd, Dep. Adj. Gen.

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